

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for providing the functionality of an exchange termination unit (ET) and a line termination unit (LT) in a communication network (NW) that on the subscriber side has at least one time-multiplex-oriented partial network (ISDN) and on the transport side at least one packet-oriented partial network (NGN), with a gateway (AGW) and a media gateway controller (GWC) being arranged at the transport-side end of the time-multiplex-oriented partial network (ISDN), with the functionality of the exchange termination unit (ET) and of the line termination unit (LT) being implemented in the gateway (AGW) and/or in the media gateway controller (GWC).